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TAGS: CGEN (TRIFA, VIOREL, AKA VALERIAN)

SUBJECT: JUDICIAL ASSISTANCE, WAR CRIMES, UNITED STATES V.
TRIFA

REF: STATE 120302 (LOU) MAY 11, 1978; STATE 156721 JUNE
20, 1978; LONDON 7354 JUNE 21, 1978

1. IN RESPONSE EMBASSY'S 7354, TRIFA'S FULL NAME IS AS
SHOWN IN HEADING. HE WAS BORN JUNE 28, 1914 AT CAMPENI,
ROMANIA.

2. SUBSTANCE DEPARTMENT'S 120302 FOLLOWS VERBATIM: QUOTE:

1. (UNCLAS) DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE HAS FILED CIVIL SUIT
TO REVOKE NATURALIZATION OF TRIFA ON GROUNDS (INTER ALIA)

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THAT TRIFA LACKED GOOD MORAL CHARACTER TO BE NATURALIZED
BY REASON OF HIS ROLE IN THE VIOLENT RIOTS IN BUCHAREST
JANUARY 20-24, 1941. 2. (LOU) JUSTICE DEPARTMENT
ATTORNEYS HAVE ASKED FOR ANY AVAILABLE REPORTS FROM
BRITISH DIPLOMATIC OR INTELLIGENCE SOURCES CONCERNING THE
EVENTS IN BUCHAREST DURING JANUARY, 1941, IN PARTICULAR,
ANYTHING REFERRING TO TRIFA. JUSTICE DEPARTMENT WILL

RESPECT UK REQUEST NOT TO REVEAL DOCUMENT IF NECESSARY,
BUT WOULD PREFER TO BE ABLE TO INTRODUCE IN EVIDENCE ANY
RECORDS THE BRITISH GIVE US. 3. (UNCLAS) JUSTICE DEPT

HAS ALSO ASKED FOR HELP IN LOCATING COPIES OF THE
FOLLOWING ROMANIAN NEWSPAPERS FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1940-
JANUARY 31, 1941: IF COPIES ARE LOCATED, PLEASE ADVISE
IMMEDIATELY EUGENE M. THIROLF, COINS - ROOM 7033.
A. BUNA VESTIRE; B. PORNUCA BREMI; C. UNIVERSUL.
4. PLEASE AUTHENTICATE DOCUMENTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH 7
FAM 834. UNQUOTE.

3. EMBASSY REQUESTED TO OBTAIN EVIDENCE AS STATED IN
PARAGRAPH 2 ABOVE ON URGENT BASIS AND INFORM DEPARTMENT
DEVELOPMENTS BY TELEGRAM. EMBASSY SHOULD ALSO CHECK ITS
CONTROLLED CORRESPONDENCE, IF THAT NOT ALREADY DONE, FOR
DEPARTMENT'S 120302 OF MAY 11 AND DETERMINE WHETHER
EFFORTS HAVE ALREADY BEEN INITIATED TO OBTAIN NEEDED
EVIDENCE FROM BRITISH AUTHORITIES. VANCE

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